(a) whethre there are any proposals under Government's consideration for laying down code of conduct and ethics for tourists to prevent environmental pollution;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) by when a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SMT. MANEKA GANDHI): (a) to (c): Formal Code of conduct and ethics in this regard have not been laid down. However, campaigns have been launched to create awareness and motivation for prevention of environmental pollution in tourists sites.

Environmental guidelines have been prepared for tourism in beach areas and Tiger Reserves. A Working Group has also been set up to evolve detailed environmental guidelines for tourism.

Reservation for the physically handicapped in promotions

122. SHRI N. RAJANGAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to provide for reservation in promotion for the physically handicapped; and

(b) if so, what are the guidelines in this regard?

THE PRIME MINISTER AND THE MINISTER FOR PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A copy of the OM No. 36035/8/89-ESTT. (SCT) dated 20-11-1989 is enclosed.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:—Reservation for the physically handicapped in posts filled by promotion.

The undersigned is directed to say that the Government has under consideration a proposal to introduce reservation in favour of the physically handicapped persons in posts filled by pomotion. The matter has been examined and it has now been decided that when promotions are being made:

(i) Within Group 'D', (ii) From Group 'D' to Group 'C', and (iii) within Group 'C' reservation will be provided for the three categories of the physically handicapped persons namely, the visually handicapped, the hearing handicapped and the orthopaedically handicapped.

The applicability of the reservation, will however, be limited to the promotions being made to those posts that are identified as being capable of being filled/held by the appropriate category of physically handicapped.

2. Each of the three categories of the physically handicapped persons will be allowed reservation at one percent each. Though the reservations will be effective only in those posts that are identified as being capable of being held by the appropriate category of the physically handicapped persons, the number of vacancies that will be reserved for the physically handicapped persons when promotions are being made to such identified posts will be computed by taking into account the toal number of vacancies that arise for being filled by promotion in a recruitment year both in the non-identified as well as identified posts. If the appropriate category of the physically handicapped persons are not available in the feeder grade from which promotion is being made to the next higher grade of the identified posts then an *inter-se* exchange will be permitted subject to the condition that:

(i) the post to which promotion is to be made is one that can be held by the category of the physically handicapped persons available in the feeder grade; and

(ii) The reservation so exchanged is carried forward to the next three recruitment years after which the reservation shall lapse.

3. Ministry of Finance etc. are requested to give immediate effect to those orders.

Sd/-

(K. N. K. KARTHIAYANI),
Director

123 [*Transferred to the 28th December, 1989*]

CBI investigation into supply of edible oil by M/s. Biscomanu of Patna

124. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1216 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 3rd March, 1989 and state:

(a) whether in a similar case of supply of edible oil by M/s. Biscomanu of Patna the former President of Biscomanu and of NCCF incidentally is facing CBI charges in Ranchi, as mentioned by Shri Mohan Katre, Director, CBI in his interview in Illustrated Weekly of India issue of 14th May, 1989; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to refer this matter of NCCF also to CBI so as to link both the cases having similarity and bearing on each other?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA): (a) and (b) NCCF as also this Department is not aware of any edible oil supplied by Biscomaun of Patna to their former President who was also President of NCCF. Government are aware of the statement attributed to have been made by Director CBI to the journalist and reported in Illustrated Weekly of 14-5-89.

Subject matter of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1216 of 3rd March, 1989 related to Unstarred Question No. 3121 of 19th August 1988 which related to supply of edible oil by NCCF to M/s. Manipur Wholesale Stores, Imphal. It was clarified in the reply that edible oil despatched by NCCF, Calcutta, to M/s. Manipur Wholesale Stores, Imphal was transported by a private transporter. The police inquiry conducted had shown that no misappropriation had taken place in the supply of goods. Further, Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies had passed orders on 20th June, 1988 in favour of NCCF for recovery of an amount of Rs. 21.58 lakhs from the Manipur State Federation alongwith interest.

NCCF internal investigation had shown lapses on the part of the then Regional Manager, East (under suspension) and major penalty proceedings are under progress against him in respect of this particular incident and some others.

There being no connection between the two, question of referring the matter to CBI does not arise.

Disciplinary action against the guilty officers causing losses to NCCF

125. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1269 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 5th May, 1989 and state:

(a) what disciplinary action has been taken against the guilty officers for causing losses to NCCF to the tune of Rs. 7 lakhs in the matter of controlled cloth activity; and

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA): (a) The NCCF have reported that they did not suffer any loss in the business of controlled